

**MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON, NEW YORK  
HELD ON MONDAY APRIL 16, 2001 AT 7:15 P.M. VILLAGE HALL, 85 MAIN STREET, IRVINGTON,  
NEW YORK.**

Present: Dennis P. Flood, Mayor  
Garrard R. Beeney, Trustee  
Sheila M. Attai, Trustee  
Richard J. Livingston, Trustee  
Isabel B. Milano, Trustee  
Stephen A. McCabe, Village Administrator  
Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer  
Richard A. Denike, Police Chief  
Robert Mascianica, Supt. of Public Works  
Lino Sciarretta, Village Attorney's Office

Mayor Flood called the meeting to order. Trustee Attai made a motion for the Board to adjourn to executive session to take up legal and personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Beeney and unanimously approved.

Upon reconvening after executive session, the regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Flood who led the attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Flood opened the floor to public comment on matters not contained on the agenda of the regular meeting. Brenda Livingston thanked Steve McCabe and the Board for their efforts on getting a warning sign installed on the Saw Mill Parkway in the vicinity of Cyrus Field Road. Nicki Coddington discussed the use of motorbikes near the Irvington Reservoir. Annette Leyden discussed the results of the recent Village election. Ruth Neuwirth discussed the use of commuter parking at Mercy College. There were no further comments from those in attendance.

Trustee Attai made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board held on April 2, 2001 as amended. The motion was seconded by Trustee Livingston and unanimously approved.

Mayor Flood read correspondence from Kristin Gambardella regarding the amount of construction in the Village; Cablevision regarding the results of the Village election; Dr. Vin Beni regarding the results of the Village election; Terry Masterson regarding the lighting at Scenic Hudson Park at Irvington; Paul Feiner regarding a proposal for school resource officers. Chief Denike elaborated on the details of Mr. Feiner's proposal. A copy of this correspondence is attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

Mayor Flood continued the public hearing on the 2001-02 budget. He outlined tentative budget, including a 3.8% tax rate increase. After a question and answer period with those in attendance, Mayor Flood requested a motion to close the public hearing. Trustee Livingston made such a motion. Trustee Milano seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Trustee Attai made a motion to adopt the 2001-02 budget as presented. Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Flood indicated that the Board has determined that the proposed blasting local law is considered a Type II action pursuant to SEQRA and, therefore, required no further environmental review.

Mayor Flood continued the public hearing on the proposed blasting local law. He indicated that there was a minor modification made to the law to clarify the fact that a permit is required on a "per lot or parcel" basis along with the corresponding permit fee. After some discussion, Trustee Livingston made a motion to close the public hearing. Trustee Beeney seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Trustee Attai made a motion to adopt a local law regarding blasting as amended. Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Trustee Milano indicated that she would be attending the next Library Board meeting and Theater Board meeting. She also indicated that a meeting was scheduled with Superintendent of School Vin Beni regarding various Village-School District issues. Trustee Milano outlined the April 3<sup>d</sup> meeting the Community Advisory Board including the upcoming open air program and the overall future of the CAB.

Trustee Livingston discussed the Dept. of Public Works, including the recent hiring of Tim Brennen and Adam Kearns, spring cleanup, pothole repairs, and Arbor Day activities scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup>. He outlined Water Department activities including pressure testing at various locations around the Village and certain leaks that were repaired. He summarized the recent Architectural Review Board agenda and indicated that he would be attending a Fire Department meeting shortly.

Trustee Attai reported on the April 3<sup>rd</sup> "Senior (Citizens) Prom" and discussed the activities of the Police Department including CPR recertification and DARE training scheduled for the fall. Trustee Attai also reported that due to several violations, the Building Inspector would be meeting with the Village Prosecutor, Desmond Lyons.

Mayor Flood indicated the Village has been asked by various municipalities and organizations to express their opinion on the EPA plan for dredging the Hudson River. Nicola Coddington discussed various aspects of the EPA plan. After further discussion, Trustee Attai made a motion to adopt the following resolution:

Resolved that the Village Board hereby endorses the objectives of the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed plan for addressing, without undue delay, PCB-contaminated sediments in the Upper Hudson River;

Further be it resolved that the Village Board urges examining all possibilities for meeting this objective, and if dredging is adopted, the Village Board hereby:

1. Urges that there be further, timely evaluation of treatment technologies with the objective of detoxifying and destroying PCB contamination rather than transporting and disposing of material in hazardous waste landfills outside the Hudson Valley; and
2. Supports the utilization of a fully-enclosed system for hydraulic dredging, storage, dewatering, stabilization and removal by rail to existing hazardous waste landfills outside the Hudson Valley (if removal and disposal of contaminated sediment is determined to be the most environmentally sound alternative); and
3. Supports adequate contingency planning for towns and villages such as Waterford, Rhinebeck, Port Ewen, Poughkeepsie, and Highland and the Chelsea intake to the New York City water supply, backfilling of dredged areas and extensive biological restoration to minimize ecological effects in remediated areas.

Trustee Beeney seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Trustee Beeney provided an update on the progress of the construction at the park, working toward a grand opening celebration on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. He also discussed the various adult and youth programs that are active in the Recreation department. Trustee Beeney provided an update on the Land Use committee and other land use matters.

Supt. of Parks and Recreation Joe Archino indicated that a meeting would be held on May 9<sup>th</sup> to discuss the proposed rules for Scenic Hudson Park at Irvington.

Trustee Attai made a motion for the Board to adjourn to executive session to take up legal and personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Milano and unanimously approved.

Upon reconvening from executive session, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer

Attachments